

REMARKS

The present application includes 20 claims, of which claims 1-18 are allowed. The Examiner has rejected claim 19. By this amendment, claim 19 has been cancelled. The Examiner has objected to claim 20. The Examiner has noted that the prior art taken alone or in combination failed to teach or suggest features recited in claim 20. Claim 20 has been rewritten in independent form. Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance.


CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims define allowable subject matter. Should anything remain in order to place the present application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the Deposit Account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd., Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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